

determining a fly height of the recording head from the detected light beam, a coating of the transparent substrate having a value so that a minimum intensity level of the reflected light beam is at a negative fly height.

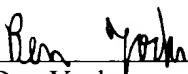
Remarks

The Examiner rejected claims 1-21. The applicant has cancelled these claims. The applicant submits that the claims are condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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